

REMARKS

Claims 1-3, 5, 6, 8, 10, 11 and 13. remain in this application. Claims 1-3 have been allowed. Claims 4, 7, 9 and 12 were rejected. Claims 5, 6, 8, 10, 11 and 13 were objected to. Claims 4, 7, 9, and 12 have been canceled, and claims 5, 6, 8, 10, 11, and 13 have been amended and as set forth above.

THE PENDING CLAIMS ARE ALLOWABLE

Claims 5, 6, 8, 10 and 13 were objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim. Claims 5, 6, 8, 10 and 13 have been amended to put the claims into independent form and include all the limitations of the previous base and intervening claims. The office action indicates that claims 5, 6, 8, 10 and 13 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form including all the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully request withdrawal of the objection and allowance of these claims.

Conclusion

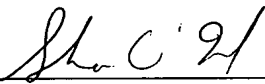
For all of the above reasons, the Applicants respectfully submit that the claims pending in this application are allowable over the prior art relied upon by the Examiner. Withdrawal of each of the rejections is respectfully requested. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (202) 220-4200 to discuss any matter concerning this application.

The Office is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Kenyon & Kenyon Deposit Account No. 11-0600 referencing attorney docket no. 29287/140.

Respectfully submitted,
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